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REMARKS

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At about 2 p.m. on 29 January 1954, 6 T-34/85 tanks which fired while in motion were seen in the Zeithain training area. At about 4:30 p.m., T-34/85 tanks drove toward Riesa from the troop

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training grounds. At about 5 p.m., 3 JS-2 tanks and a tank chassis drove to the training grounds from the direction of Riesa. Between 5 and 6 p.m. on 1 February, JS-2 tanks

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T-34/85 tanks armored personnel carrier and 3 trucks occupied by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets went to the training grounds from the direction of Riesa. Motor vehicles seen in traffic to and from the troop training grounds

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The following columns were seen en route toward Riesa from the direction of Koenigsbrueck:

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each

At 5 p.m. on 28 January: 6 trucks, with a 85-mm AT gun.

At 10:30 a.m. on 30 January: 6 trucks

each with a 57-mm AT gun. 2

1. Comment. winter firing practice of tank units of the 9th Tank Div from Riesa.

2. Comment. Another report indicated that these units of the 9th Tank Div marched from Riesa toward Koenigsbrueck on 27 January. The troops engaged either in a field exercise or firing practice at Koenigsbrueck.

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